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OPTICAL MEMBER WITH HANDLING  
PORTION AND METHOD FOR  
MANUFACTURING OPTICAL MEMBER  
AND METHOD FOR MOUNTING OPTICAL  
MEMBER AND OPTICAL MODULE  
**(Rule 1.53(b) Divisional  
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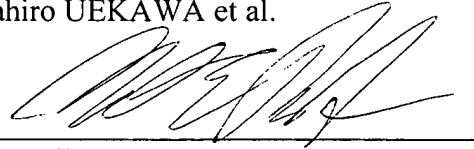
Applicants in the above-entitled application hereby claim the date of priority under the International Convention of Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-134939, filed May 2, 2001, Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-336256, filed November 1, 2001, and Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-348253, filed November 14, 2001, as acknowledged in the Declaration of this application.

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